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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
PAUL H. WIECK II, COMMISSIONER

Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D. C. 20554

In the Matter of:

Spectrum Refarming Comments] PR docket ~~92-234~~

To the Commission:

We support the Commission in their effort to increase the number of channels in the spectrum by refarming. We do hope that care is taken in reducing the bandwidth and that the change is done slowly.

Restrictive limits on antenna height and ERP would require installation of many additional stations to cover the state. This would necessitate the use of additional frequencies (not spectrum efficient) and would also compartmentalize communications. This would further isolate state officers in Iowa's generally rural environment.

Assigning frequencies to non-public safety entities within the public safety band could result in harmful adjacent frequency interference. The non-public safety users would not be coordinated by the public safety coordinator who currently controls the assignment of adjacent frequencies.

Your kind consideration of our concerns would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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